Amendments to the Claims

The current listing of the claims replaces all previous amendments and listings of the claims.

1. (Currently Amended) Process for manufacturing a continuous yarn-comprising:

drawing a multiplicity of streams of molten material to form a multiplicity of continuous filaments;

gathering the multiplicity of the filaments into the yarn with a wheel; ~~and~~

monitoring a position of the wheel to determine whether a tension exerted by the multiplicity of the filaments falls below a predetermined tension;

disposing the wheel to rotate and to pivot relative to a first end of a lever; and

detecting with a magnetic detector a movement of a second end of the lever.

2. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 1, wherein the multiplicity of filaments is gathered in a peripheral groove on the wheel.

3.-5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 1, wherein the molten material comprises glass.

7. (Withdrawn) The process according to Claim 1, wherein the molten material comprises glass and thermoplastic.

8.-10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 2, wherein the molten material comprises glass.

12.-14. (Canceled)

15. (Withdrawn) The process according to Claim 2, wherein the molten material comprises glass and thermoplastic.

16.-18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A method of a determining breakage of at least one filament of a yarn:

gathering a plurality of filaments into the yarn with a wheel; ~~and~~

monitoring a movement of the wheel to determine whether the at least one filament has broken;

disposing the wheel to rotate and to pivot relative to a first end of a lever; and

detecting with a magnetic detector a movement of a second end of the lever.

20. and 21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim ~~21~~ 19, wherein the lever is configured to pivot about an axis.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim ~~21~~ 19, wherein the plurality of filaments is gathered into the yarn by a peripheral groove on the wheel.